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SUBJ: TRANSFER OF PRISONERS FROM LECUMBERRI PRISON, MEXICO CITY

1. EMBASSY INFORMED BY MEXICAN PRISON AUTHORITIES THAT WITHIN NEXT TWO WEEKS LECUMBERRI PRISONERS TO BE MOVED TO TWO NEW CARCELES PREVENTIVAS AND TO SANTA MARTA PRISON (LECUMBERRI WILL BE CLOSED DOWN AND THE EXISTING BUILDINGS RAIZED TO CLEAR AREA FOR A NEW ALAMEDA, ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS).

2. THOSE PRISONERS WHO HAVE BEEN SENTENCED AND HAVE NO APPEALS PENDING WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO SANTA MARTA. OTHERS WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO ONE OR OTHER OF NEW PRISONS ACCORDING TO WHICH COURT HAS JURISDICTION IN INDIVIDUAL CASES. THOSE IN FUERO COMUN COURTS 1-15 AND THOSE IN DISTRICT COURTS 1 AND 2 WILL BE SENT TO PRISON IN NORTHERN PART OF CITY. THOSE IN FUERO COMUN COURTS 16-26 AND DISTRICT COURTS 3 AND 4 WILL BE SENT TO PRISON IN SOUTHEASTERN PART OF CITY. AS NEW PRISONS ARE PREVENTIVAS AND THUS A SUBSTITUTE FOR LECUMBERRI BUT NOT FOR SANTA MARTA, ALL SENTENCED PRISONERS WILL EVENTUALLY BE SENT TO SANTA MARTA. EMBASSY HAS NOT YET IDENTIFIED WHICH AMERICAN PRISONERS WILL BE ASSIGNED TO WHICH PRISON, BUT WILL REPORT THIS INFORMATION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

3. SOME FEW BELONGINGS NOW HELD BY LECUMBERRI PRISONERS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED IN NEW PRISONS (PRISON DIRECTOR CITED AS EXAMPLES ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES, UNCLASSIFIED

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TELEVISION SETS, AND VERY BULKY ITEMS SUCH AS FURNITURE).

IN ORDER TO PREVENT HARDSHIP THAT WOULD BE CAUSED
PRISONERS BY FORCED SALE OF POSSESSIONS,
EMBASSY ARRANGED WITH DIRECTOR TO TAKE CUSTODY OF
ITEMS NOT ALLOWED IN NEW PRISONS. CONOFF WENT TO
LECUMBERRI ON AUGUST 2 WITH TWO TRUCKS AND COLLECTED
BELONGINGS FOR STORAGE IN EMBASSY. CONOFF HAD GONE
TO PRISON ON JULY 30 AND TOLD AMERICAN-PRISONER
REPRESENTATIVE OF EACH DORMITORY TO TELL AMERICAN
PRISONERS TO HAVE BELONGINGS READY ON AUGUST 2.
EMBASSY PLANS TO STORE BELONGINS ONLY UNTIL WE
RECEIVE PRISONER AUTHORIZATION RE DISPOSITION.
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